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Joan Tanaka, Chief Remedial Response Branch #1 Superfund Division U.S. EPA, Region 5 77 West Jackson Boulevard Chicago, IL 60604-3590

Chemetco Superfund Site (the Site) Re:

Dear Ms. Tanaka:

On behalf of Mintz Scrap Iron and Metal, Co., Inc. (Mintz), I am responding to your Agency's General Notice Letter dated November 30, 2011, and General Notice Letter, Second Notice dated February 17, 2012.

Mintz is investigating its involvement with the Site. Unfortunately, I have been unable to open the portion of U.S. EPA's DVD purportedly containing nexus documents relative to Mintz. I have recently requested from Michele Kerr, Remedial Project Manager, hard copies of the nexus documents relating to Mintz. Ms. Kerr responded she will send a replacement DVD, and hopefully I can access the documents in the near future

Further, I have contacted the Institute of Scrap Recycling Industries Inc. (ISRI) regarding the status of the formation of a PRP group. I am awaiting a response from ISRI.

If Mintz's investigation shows that Mintz is liable for response costs under CERCLA, Mintz fully intends to comply with all applicable legal requirements to the extent Mintz's financial condition will allow and to participate in negotiations with the Agency and with other PRPs at the Site.

If you have any questions concerning the above, please let me know.

Sincerely,

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